

City of Seattle Human Services Department

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 30, 2010

TO: Councilmember Nick Licata, Chair, Housing, Human Services, Health, and

Culture Committee

Councilmember Sally Clark, Committee Member

Councilmember Tom Rasmussen, Committee Member

FROM: Kip Tokuda, Acting Director, Human Services Department

SUBJECT: 2009 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report

This memorandum transmits to you the 2009 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). The CAPER is a requirement by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and details the results of our use of four federal fund sources. Those fund sources are:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- HOME Investment Partnerships
- Emergency Shelter Grant Program (ESG)
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)

Together, these are known as the "Consolidated Plan funds" because their use is guided by the City's 2009 – 2012 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development, a plan also required by HUD. These funds are focused on the following uses:

- Public services targeted to homeless families and individuals as guided by the Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness
- Building, acquiring and / or rehabilitating low-income housing through private nonprofit and public housing developers
- Encouraging economic development through neighborhood revitalization investments and small business loans.

These funds are allocated to three City departments for program implementation: Human Services Department, Office of Housing, and Office of Economic Development. Many of the programs involve contracts with community-based nonprofit agencies such as social services providers and affordable housing developers.

HUD requires that the CAPER review the outcomes of Consolidated Plan funding for the previous year. We are also required to review the City's progress in providing for affordable housing and reducing poverty and homelessness; thus, you will find expanded sections in the CAPER discussing these topics. There are also HUD-required extended appendices relating to the Southeast Seattle Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area, HOPWA-specific forms and certifications, and a section from the Seattle Housing Authority.

Table One of the report summarizes our outcomes for 2009, categorized by HUD's own goals statements. Accomplishments include:

- Assisting 1,260 families and individuals to avoid eviction.
- Creating or preserving over 400 units of affordable rental housing.
- Moving nearly 1,400 homeless households to transitional or permanent housing.
- Facilitating six business districts in the city to develop 3-year comprehensive strategies for commercial corridor revitalization.
- Disbursing \$5.9 million in two Section 108 loans, including one project that preserves 31 jobs in the City of Seattle and another that will provide for 68 units of affordable housing.
- Providing zero interest loans to five community-based social service agencies to help them with capital improvements to their facilities.

In addition, our HOPWA funding provided \$1.5 million in contracts with non-profit service agencies to assist over 550 people with housing, rental assistance, and support services.

At your April 2 meeting, Michael Look, the manager of the CDBG Administration Unit, will provide a briefing on the CAPER, the Consolidated Plan, and the annual timeline for Consolidated Plan updates and amendments. If you have any questions you may reach Michael at 615-1717.